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A NEWS STORY IN JULY 29 MILLIYET, IN CONNECTION WITH THE SUSPENSION OF OPERATIONS AT COMMON DEFENSE INSTALLATIONS, REPORTED ON THE CONTROL PROCEDURES AND PROSPECTS OF CONFISCATION OF TACTICAL NUCLEAR WEAPONS IN TURKEY, CITING "RELIABLE SOURCES". THE ARTICLE STATED THAT INCIRLIK IS THE ONLY US INSTALLATION IN TURKEY WITH SUCH WEAPONS AND POINTED OUT THAT THE "TWO KEY" CONTROL SYSTEM REQUIRES JOINT US-TURKISH AGREEMENT, AS WELL AS A NATO COUNCIL DECISION, FOR UTILIZATION. OTHER TACTICAL NUCLEAR WEAPONS IN TURKEY, IT REPORTS, "ARE NOT ON THE BASES, BUT IN THE HANDS OF TURKISH UNITS". THE ARTICLE CONCLUDED BY NOTING SENATOR SCOTT'S STATEMENT THAT TURKEY COULD CONFISCATE THEM IF UNCLASSIFIED

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IT SO WANTED, BUT STATED THAT SUCH ACTION WOULD REPRESENT A BASIC

CHANGE IN TURKEY'S POLICY AND RELATIONS WITH THE U.S. AND NATO,
AN ATTITUDE THAT COULD BE CONSIDERED "ONLY IF TURKEY THINKS THAT
THERE IS NO OTHER WAY THAN TO BREAK ALL TIES".
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